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FM AMEMBASSY ABIDJAN
TO SECSTATE WASHDC 2954
INFO AMEMBASSY LOME
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C O N F I D E N T I A L ABIDJAN 3756

E.O. 11652: GDS
TAGS: PFOR,CG, AO, US, IV
SUBJ: U.S. ASSISTANCE TO ZAIRE

REF: STATE 82515

1. DCM BRIEFED FOREIGN OFFICE CHIEF OF CABINET KACOU
ON DETAILS OF U.S. ASSISTANCE TO ZAIRE OUTLINED REFTEL.
KACOU HAD ALREADY SEEN PRESS REPORTS DESCRIBING U.S. MEASURES.

2. KACOU SAID GOIC WOULD BE VERY PLEASED AT U.S. DECISION
BUT REGISTERED SOME DISMAY AT WHAT HE CALLED "HESITATION
AND TERGIVERSATION" BY U.S. IN RECENT ACTIONS. KACOU
SAID SITUATION THROUGHOUT AFRICA WAS OF GRAVE CONCERN
TO PRESIDENT HOUPHOUET AND GOIC. HE RECALLED TRIPARTITE
HAVANA DECLARATION WHICH LISTED "REACTIONARY" COUNTRIES
AGAINST WHICH ACTION SHOULD BE TAKEN. KACOU NOTED
THAT BENIN, CONGO, ETHIOPIA AND ANGOLA HAD ALL FALLEN
TO RADICAL GOVERNMENTS. WHILE THERE WAS NO IMMEDIATE
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CONCERN FOR IVORY COAST THE CONTINUED PROGRESS OF
SOVIETS AND SOVIET-ORIENTED STATES IN WEST AFRICA
WAS CAUSE FOR ALARM.

3. DCM ASKED WHETHER IVORY COAST WAS PLANNING SOME
PUBLIC STATEMENT OF SUPPORT FOR MOBUTO. KACOU REPLIED
THAT HOUPHOUET PREFERRED SECRET DIPLOMACY BUT THAT

PUBLIC DECLARATION WAS QUITE LIKELY, POSSIBLY IN
COMMUNIQUE FOLLOWING HOUPHOUET VISIT TO MONROVIA.

4. IN THIS CONNECTION, ZAIRIAN AMBASSADOR TOLD
AMBASSADOR STEARNS THAT GOIC IS SERIOUSLY CONSIDERING
AT LEAST TOKEN SHIPMENT OF MATERIAL SUPPORT TO ZAIRE
PROBABLY IN NEAR FUTURE.
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